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SUBJECT: ANGLO-US DEMARCHE ON ZIMBABWE DEVELOPMENT FUND

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1. I ACCOMPANIED BRITISH AMBASSADOR WRIGHT THIS AFTER-
NOON IN CALL ON FONMIN'S DIRECTOR OF CABINET NOUAMA FOR
DEMARCHE ON ZIMBABWE DEVELOPMENT FUND. WRIGHT HAD BEEN
ANXIOUS TO MAKE INITIAL APPROACH TO IVORIANS PRIOR TO
ARRIVAL IN ABIDJAN OCTOBER 17 OF UK MINISTER OF STATE
ROWLANDS. ACCORDINGLY, WHEN I ADVISED WRIGHT YESTERDAY
THAT DEMARCHE HAD BEEN MADE IN LAGOS ON OCTOBER 11
(REFTEL B) HE PROCEEDED IMMEDIATELY TO SCHEDULE MEETING
WITH NOUAMA, WHO IS RANKING FONMIN OFFICIAL IN ABIDJAN
THIS WEEK.

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2. AFTER WRIGHT HAD OUTLINED TO NOUAMA MAIN FEATURES
OF ZIMBABWE DEVELOPMENT FUND AND PRESENTED HIM WITH
MORE DETAILED AIDE-MEMOIRE COVERING POINTS MENTIONED
REFTEL D, I TOLD NOUAMA THAT US GOVERNMENT FULLY
SUPPORTED PACKAGE OF PROPOSALS FOR SETTLEMENT IN
RHODESIA, INCLUDING ESTABLISHMENT OF ZIMBABWE DEVELOPMENT
FUND AND EXPRESSED OUR HOPE THAT GOIC WOULD JOIN IN

THIS EFFORT.

3. NOUAMA EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR DEMARCHE AND SAID THAT HE WOULD CONVEY BRITISH VIEWS AND OUR SUPPORT FOR THEM, TOGETHER WITH AIDE-MEMOIRE, TO FOREIGN MINISTER AKE, WHO WOULD RETURN TO ABIDJAN OCTOBER 15 IN TIME FOR ROWLANDS VISIT. HE BELIEVED THAT GOIC WOULD CONSIDER SYMPATHETICALLY ESTABLISHMENT OF FUND AND WOULD WISH TO CONTINUE WORKING CLOSELY WITH BRITISH AND US TO RESOLVE RHODESIAN PROBLEM ON JUST AND PEACEFUL LINES. IN THIS CONNECTION, HE EXPRESSED ONCE AGAIN IVORIAN BELIEF THAT TIME WAS OF THE ESSENCE. ZIMBABWE NATIONALISTS WERE NOT "EXTREMISTS" BUT WOULD BECOME SO IF THEY DID NOT SEE PROMPT PROGRESS TOWARD MAJORITY RULE THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS.

4. COMMENT: AMBASSADOR WRIGHT TOLD ME THAT HE EXPECTED ROWLANDS TO DISCUSS ZIMBABWE PACKAGE, INCLUDING DEVELOPMENT FUND, IN GREATER DETAIL WITH HOUPHOUET AND AKE NEXT WEEK. ROWLANDS IS SCHEDULED TO SEE HOUPHOUET AFTERNOON OF OCTOBER 17 AND WRIGHT HAS ARRANGED FOR ROWLANDS TO BRIEF DCM AND ME ON RESULTS OF HIS VISIT OCTOBER 19.
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